

# Exhibit S

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
2 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA - WESTERN DIVISION

3 UM CORPORATION, a Japanese )  
corporation, )

4 Plaintiff, )

5 vs. )

2:15-cv-03764-AB-AJW

6 TSUBURAYA PRODUCTIONS CO. )  
7 LTD., a Japanese corporation, )

Volume I

8 Defendant. )  
\_\_\_\_\_ )

9 TSUBURAYA PRODUCTIONS CO. )  
10 LTD., a Japanese corporation, )

11 Counterclaimant, )

12 vs. )

13 UM CORPORATION, a Japanese )  
corporation; ULTRAMAN USA, )

14 INC., a California )  
corporation; SOMPOTE )

15 SAENGDUENCHAI, a Thai )  
individual; GOLDEN MEDIA )

16 GROUP, INC., a California )  
corporation; TIGA )

17 ENTERTAINMENT COMPANY, LTD., a )  
Hong Kong corporation; and )

18 DOES 1-10 )

19 Counterdefendants. )  
\_\_\_\_\_ )

20  
21 VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF UM CORPORATION designated  
22 witness PERASIT SAENGDUENCHAI pursuant to 30(b)(6)  
23 Los Angeles, California, Monday, December 12, 2016  
24 Reported by: MARLA SHARP, RPR, CLR, CCRR, CSR 11924  
25 JOB NO. 115836

1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10  
11  
12  
13  
14  
15  
16  
17  
18  
19  
20  
21  
22  
23  
24  
25

December 12, 2016

9:45 a.m.

Videotaped deposition of  
PERASIT SAENGDUENCHAI, Volume I, held  
at the offices of Quinn Emanuel  
Urquhart & Sullivan, 865 South Figueroa  
Street, 10th Floor, Los Angeles,  
California, pursuant to agreement  
before Marla Sharp, a Certified  
Shorthand Reporter in and for the State  
of California.

A P P E A R A N C E S:

PILLSBURY WINTHROP SHAW PITTMAN LLP  
Attorneys for Plaintiff and  
Counterdefendant UM Corporation and  
Counterdefendants Golden Media Group and  
TIGA Entertainment Company

725 South Figueroa Street, Suite 2800  
Los Angeles, California 90017

BY: MICHAEL CHIBIB, ESQ.  
JEFFREY WEXLER, ESQ.

QUINN EMANUEL URQUHART & SULLIVAN, LLP  
Attorneys for Defendant Tsuburaya  
Productions Co. Ltd.

865 South Figueroa Street, 10th Floor  
Los Angeles, California 90017

BY: DANIEL POSNER, ESQ.

1           A P P E A R A N C E S (continued):

2  
3           ALSO PRESENT:

4                   MICHAEL MULLIN, videographer

5                   TAKEHIRO KANEKO, intern

6                   SUPACHAI PRASERTPHONG, Thai interpreter

7                   THANISA TIRANASAWADI

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2016

9:45 A.M.

THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Good morning. We are now on the video record. The following is the videotaped deposition of Perasit Saengduenchai --

THE WITNESS: Saengduenchai.

THE VIDEOGRAPHER: -- Saengduenchai --

THE WITNESS: Yes.

THE VIDEOGRAPHER: -- in the matter of UM Corporation versus Tsuburaya Productions and Tsuburaya Productions versus UM Corporation, et al.

This is filed in the United States District Court for the Central District of California, Western Division, case number 2:15-cv-03764-AB-AJW.

This deposition is being held at Quinn Emanuel, 865 South Figueroa Street, in Los Angeles, California. Today's date is Monday, December 12th, 2016. The time now is 9:45 a.m.

My name is Michael Mullin from TSG Reporting, and I'm the legal video specialist. The court reporter is Marla Sharp. Will all counsel please introduce themselves for the video record.

MR. POSNER: I'm Dan Posner from Quinn Emanuel for the defendant and counterclaimant

1 Tsuburaya Productions Company Limited.

2 MR. KANEKO: I'm Takehiro Kaneko on  
3 Tsuburaya's side too.

4 MR. POSNER: Could you hear that?

5 MR. CHIBIB: Mike Chibib of Pillsbury  
6 Winthrop Shaw Pittman on behalf of UM Corporation  
7 and the witness. With me is Jeff Wexler, also of  
8 Pillsbury. Then we have UM Corp. corporate  
9 representative, Ms. Nan Tiranawasadi.

10 MR. WEXLER: And we're also representing  
11 the counterdefendants Golden Media Group and TIGA  
12 Entertainment.

13 MR. CHIBIB: Correct.

14 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Will the court reporter  
15 please swear in the witness.

16 SUPACHAI (GUY) PRASERTPHONG,  
17 having been first duly sworn to translate the  
18 English language into the Thai language and the Thai  
19 language into the English language to the best of  
20 his ability, interpreted the following:

21 - - -

22 PERASIT SAENGDUENCHAI,  
23 having been first duly sworn,  
24 was examined and testified as follows:

25 - - -

## EXAMINATION

BY MR. POSNER:

Q Good morning.

A Good morning, Dan.

Q Will you state your name, please.

A Perasit Saengduenchai.

Q Okay. And I believe you introduced  
yourself earlier as --

A Pete.

Q -- Pete?

A Pete.

Q Okay. Do you mind if I call you Pete or --

A Yes, please call me Pete.

Q Okay. Thank you.

Do people call you Pete in Thailand?

A No. I have another nickname.

Q Okay. Have you ever had a deposition taken  
before?

(Discussion held off the record between  
the interpreter and the witness.)

THE WITNESS: I've been on witness stand  
but not like this.

BY MR. POSNER:

Q You have never had your deposition taken in  
a conference room like this?



1 reask is:

2 Why was UM Corporation formed at the time  
3 it was?

4 MR. CHIBIB: And I'll instruct the witness  
5 not to answer to the extent it calls for revealing  
6 attorney-client communications.

7 THE WITNESS: Okay. UMC was formed because  
8 I believe -- and when I do business, I want to be  
9 corporation, a company. And we are protected by  
10 Japanese law, our rights.

11 BY MR. POSNER:

12 Q All right. So you wanted to do business  
13 relating to Ultraman, correct?

14 A Yes.

15 Q And you wanted to do that through a company  
16 so that your rights would be more protected than  
17 they would be if you were doing business as a  
18 individual?

19 A As a individual, yes.

20 Q Okay. Why did you choose to incorporate a  
21 company in Japan under Japanese laws as opposed to  
22 Thailand?

23 MR. CHIBIB: Same objection.

24 THE WITNESS: We had companies in Thailand.  
25 UMC is not only company we had. We had Chaiyo

1 Productions. We have other companies also. So UMC  
2 is not the only company that's doing Ultraman.

3 BY MR. POSNER:

4 Q Why did you choose to incorporate this  
5 company, UMC, under Japanese laws as opposed to Thai  
6 law?

7 A Oh. We were -- the law in Japan was final,  
8 conclusive.

9 Q The judgment?

10 A The judgment. Okay. So we're fully  
11 protected under the Japanese law. And it was the  
12 right move for business, as a businessman.

13 Q Okay.

14 A Does that answer your question?

15 Q I think so. So, I mean, we'll talk about  
16 this.

17 But there had been a previous judgment of  
18 the courts in Japan that essentially found the 1976  
19 agreement to be valid. That's what you're referring  
20 to?

21 A Yes.

22 Q And there was a judgment of the courts in  
23 Thailand that found the opposite, correct?

24 A The court in Thailand in the first instance  
25 found the judgment to be valid.

1 A No.

2 Q But UM Corporation, in your view, was not  
3 subject to that judgment?

4 A No.

5 Q Because it didn't exist at the time of the  
6 judgment?

7 A I'm not sure if the -- because at the  
8 time -- I'm not still going back to -- I'm not sure  
9 of the date we were established.

10 Q Okay. But in any case you wanted to  
11 establish a company that would not be barred by the  
12 Thai judgment from distributing Ultraman works?

13 MR. CHIBIB: Objection. That  
14 mischaracterizes testimony, I believe.

15 BY MR. POSNER:

16 Q Is that correct?

17 MR. CHIBIB: You can answer the question.  
18 I'm just making my objection.

19 BY MR. POSNER:

20 Q He's just making an objection, right.

21 A Repeat that again. I'm getting confused.

22 Q Right. You wanted to establish a company  
23 that would not be barred by the Thai judgment from  
24 distributing Ultraman works?

25 MR. CHIBIB: And I'll make the same

1 objection.

2 THE WITNESS: No, because we believe we  
3 have the rights. The judgment from Japan -- I can't  
4 remember the judgment -- the exact year of judgment  
5 from Thailand.

6 The fact is the judgment from Japan came  
7 out first, final and conclusive supreme court, sixth  
8 court. So we already had planned from -- the  
9 judgment from Japan came down 2000 something, early  
10 in 2000. So we always had that plan to set up the  
11 company under Japanese judgment.

12 We're protected, and it's good for business  
13 because everybody believe that, "Okay. Ultraman is  
14 famous in Japan before it was famous in Thailand."  
15 So...

16 BY MR. POSNER:

17 Q Did -- after the Thai judgment, did  
18 Tsuburaya Chaiyo, your licensing company in  
19 Thailand, did it stop licensing Thai works? Excuse  
20 me.

21 Did it stop licensing Ultraman works in  
22 Thailand after the Thai judgment?

23 MR. CHIBIB: Objection. Foundation.

24 BY MR. POSNER:

25 Q You can answer.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

8 Q Has your father, Sompote, ever invested in  
9 UM Corporation?

10 A No. My father is not involved.

11 Q Has he ever been a shareholder in the  
12 company?

13 A No.

14 Q Do you know someone named Jiraporn,  
15 J-i-r-a-p-o-r-n T-h-a-m-m-a-s-a-r-n?

16 A It's -- could I see the -- because I -- I  
17 have to hear a name. Otherwise I --

18 Q Jiraporn Thammasarn? No?

19 A No, sorry. Maybe. Because I don't know  
20 the pronunciation.

21 Q I have a whole list of other names that I'm  
22 tempted to try to pronounce.  
23 Somchai Cheewasuthanon?

24 A It's too difficult. Sorry.

25 Q When I say these words, you're not

1 Q In your family?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Is -- so in 2008, when you formed  
4 UM Corporation with Uematsu, your father was  
5 displeased about that at the time?

6 A I'm not sure because I don't keep contact  
7 with him. But I believe so from what he -- I think  
8 he had some conversation with Mr. Uematsu later on.  
9 And it seems he became aggressive.

10 Q Your father became aggressive?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Physically aggressive?

13 A No, no, no. He didn't meet. They didn't  
14 meet. Telephone.

15 Q He was aggressive on the telephone?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Does your father, in your view, have a bad  
18 temper?

19 A Yes.

20 Q He's prone to get angry?

21 A Yes.

22 Q During the time that you were operate --  
23 well, during the time that Uematsu was involved with  
24 UM Corporation, did you -- were you aware that he  
25 communicated periodically with your father?

1           A     Not periodically. Periodically means  
2     frequent?

3                     (Discussion held off the record between  
4                     the witness and the interpreter.)

5     BY MR. POSNER:

6           Q     Every now and then?

7           A     No, not that. Not every now and then. He  
8     avoided.

9           Q     He avoided. He spoke with him rarely?

10          A     Rarely, yes.

11          Q     You'd agree with that?

12                     Is that about right, not very often he  
13     spoke with Sompote?

14          A     No, not very often.

15          Q     And you haven't spoken with him at all in  
16     many years; is that correct?

17          A     Uematsu?

18          Q     Your father.

19          A     Oh. Many years.

20          Q     What is -- apart from litigation, what is  
21     the business of UM Corporation today?

22                     What type of things do you do when you're  
23     doing the business of UM Corporation?

24          A     Oh. Regarding Ultraman, like, licensing  
25     rights to China.

1 Q And you, yourself, have not done that?

2 A Obviously, sir. Obviously have not. Not  
3 obviously have.

4 Q Have you known -- have you ever known your  
5 father to claim contractual rights that he does not  
6 actually have?

7 A Contractual rights?

8 (Discussion held off the record between  
9 the interpreter and the witness.)

10 THE WITNESS: Yes, there have been. But I  
11 have disputes with him, but I would not say  
12 "contractual rights." He would -- you see, let me  
13 explain a bit about my father.

14 He's different now than he was before.  
15 Totally different. He was a good dad. He taught me  
16 to be honest. He's eccentric, I know. He can be  
17 demanding at times.

18 But he's not the same person now that he  
19 is. I cannot even talk with him now because of his  
20 temper and my temper.

21 But I always believed that he has been a  
22 man of integrity. He's proud of himself, obviously.  
23 But the problem was after TPC filed the lawsuit,  
24 that destroyed him.

25 So, to answer your question, there have



1 been -- I have conflict with him where he still  
2 think he has the rights to Ultraman even though he  
3 does not. But because the problem is, it comes from  
4 that he thinks he is Ultraman.

5 BY MR. POSNER:

6 Q Do you mean that in a literal sense? Like,  
7 he has a mental condition where he actually thinks  
8 he's Ultraman, or are you saying that more  
9 figuratively?

10 And I don't mean to be rude.

11 A It's okay.

12 Q It's a fair inference from what you said.

13 A He has a house, a big one, two big house in  
14 the compound. It's all Ultraman. I don't have any  
15 Ultraman in my house. I have one on my neck, and  
16 that's it, because I think Ultraman is just a  
17 business. And it makes some money and it lose a lot  
18 of money and a lot of lawsuit.

19 But my father, he wears an Ultraman suit,  
20 Ultraman slipper, Ultraman everything. In his house  
21 he's got the biggest collection of items. His wall  
22 is decorated with Ultraman up and to his toilet  
23 paper and to his -- so he's actually obsessed with  
24 himself and with Ultraman.

25 And I believe that it was because of the

1 asked -- has, in fact, claimed contractual rights  
2 that you don't believe he has?

3 A Could you repeat that?

4 Q You agree with that, that he has done that,  
5 he has claimed contractual rights that you don't  
6 believe he has?

7 A No. I did not claim that he has -- could I  
8 do this Thai? It's -- the wording is a bit  
9 confusing.

10 (Discussion held off the record between  
11 the interpreter and the witness.)

12 THE WITNESS: Okay. Sorry. The problem  
13 I'm having is my father believes that whatever I own  
14 he owns, which I object.

15 I do business, and in -- when I told you  
16 that in Chaiyo Production my father was against  
17 Chaiyo Production, he would enter the company and I  
18 would say, "No. You're not involved because if  
19 you're involved as a shareholder, you are not a  
20 director, so you cannot get involved in my work."

21 As a father and as a Thai, they don't  
22 believe that. They think that if you own a company  
23 you can do anything with your company.

24 So my father, the way that he operated  
25 business, as I told you before, I called him a

1 one-man show. So he thinks that if he owns a share  
2 of a company he can do anything.

3 But replying to your question, he thinks he  
4 owns me. That's the biggest problem. So whatever I  
5 do he thinks belong to him. So to answer your  
6 question, does he -- it's a contractual right? It's  
7 not a contractual right. It's he thinks he owns me.

8 So I've been having this problem all my  
9 life. I grown -- I grew up with Americans, British,  
10 and Japanese; and that's not the case. You don't --  
11 a father doesn't own a son.

12 So that's the problem, when I say -- when I  
13 reply to your question. I know it's a bit long.

14 But to him, he think he's doing the right  
15 thing because whatever -- he thinks that he owns  
16 UMC. Maybe he believes he owns UMC. But definitely  
17 no. That's not the case. That's what I work hard  
18 for.

19 BY MR. POSNER:

20 Q And you've told him this. He knows that  
21 you believe that he is trying to exercise rights  
22 that you don't believe he has?

23 A I told him, yes, and I also got my lawyers  
24 to tell him, a few of them. But --

25 Q But he hadn't stopped?

1 A Yes, sir.

2 Q Do you know where the original is?

3 A No, sir.

4 Q Have you ever seen the original?

5 A Yes, sir.

6 Q When was that?

7 A Many times, sir. In court, out of court,  
8 in the house.

9 Q When was the last time you saw the original  
10 of the 1976 agreement?

11 A More than ten years.

12 Q When's the last time you spoke with your  
13 father?

14 A Two -- two or three years ago I think.

15 Q Did you have -- was there a singular event  
16 or time that damaged the relationship with your  
17 father? Or is it something that happened over time?

18 A I would say both answer is correct. It was  
19 gradual and it was -- it was one, two, three, and  
20 then...

21 Q Okay. What were those events, one, two,  
22 three?

23 A Well, like I told before, he objected about  
24 Chaiyo Productions. And we had a big fight,  
25 argument. And he denied -- he said, "You cannot do

1 Chaiyo Productions."

2 And I said, "I'm going to do it. It's my  
3 money." Although I put his name in it to -- as a  
4 father.

5 Q That was one of the --

6 A That's one of the roughest. And then after  
7 that we had a few more.

8 Q When was that first one about Chaiyo  
9 Productions?

10 Was that about the time that the company  
11 was formed?

12 A Yes, sir.

13 Q About 2000?

14 A Late 1990s.

15 Q All right. And what was the next event?

16 A It's -- there's a few more but not business  
17 related. It's personal things. Quite a few more.

18 Q Was there a time when you stopped  
19 communicating with him?

20 A There was a time that in the early 2000 I  
21 stopped communicating with him. And then afterwards  
22 I communicated with him again because my mom asked  
23 me to. She begged me to. Yes. And then I tried  
24 very hard to --

25 ///

1 (Discussion held off the record between  
2 the interpreter and the witness.)

3 THE INTERPRETER: "In order to be  
4 reconnected with him."

5 THE WITNESS: And it only lasted for a very  
6 short period.

7 BY MR. POSNER:

8 Q So early 2000 you were not communicating  
9 with him, and your mom tried to reconcile. And you  
10 tried, but it didn't work?

11 A Yes, sir.

12 Q Why not?

13 A He's just different. He's obsessed with --  
14 it is my personal belief that production is  
15 important. He thinks make money, fight the lawsuit.  
16 For me, production was fighting.

17 I know Japanese people. I grew up with  
18 Japanese people. Japanese people are honorable  
19 people. You earn -- you have to earn their trust.  
20 They think that my father's a thief, and they accuse  
21 him of many things.

22 And my father was upset. So he became  
23 very, very eccentric. He became very emotional,  
24 very rough, especially in court, out of court.

25 He had compassion before. And after the

1 lawsuits he lost it all. He thought that his life  
2 work is destroyed, they tainted his name. So  
3 eventually we became distant so -- because he  
4 changed.

5 Q As of 1996 was his life -- had his life's  
6 work to that point been Ultraman?

7 A No, sir, he did many other things.

8 Q So you just said that he thought his life's  
9 work had been destroyed. What do you mean by that?

10 A His reputation. I'm sorry.

11 Q His reputation.

12 A Reputation. Because when you get accused  
13 by a foreign company that you forged a document,  
14 you're a fake, and all that, and all that claim in  
15 the newspaper and all that. It's -- it's his  
16 reputation.

17 He's a proud person. He's not a public  
18 man, but his name is known throughout Thailand. He  
19 could go through immigration and people say -- I've  
20 seen it many times -- "Oh, you're the" -- "you are  
21 Sompote" or whatever.

22 Q Is he a respected figure by the public, or  
23 is he a ridiculed figure, or something else?

24 A Very respected.

25 Q Very respected.

1 A But because of TPC and the Internet,  
2 suddenly he became ridiculed from that case that TPC  
3 filed in Thailand.

4 Q Do you think of your father as a scary  
5 person?

6 Is that a word you would use to describe  
7 him, "scary"?

8 A I'm scared of him, but I don't think he's  
9 scary. I used to be very scared of him.

10 Q Is he a violent person?

11 A He yells. But, no, I mean, he's not --  
12 he's never beaten me or anyone in the family but --

13 Q But he's -- has he been verbally abusive?

14 A Oh, yes. He is very verbally abusive.

15 Q Verbally abusive to your mother?

16 A No, not to that extent.

17 Q But he's been verbally abusive to you?

18 A When you get -- when you do something wrong  
19 or you don't get it -- you don't do what he wants,  
20 yes.

21 Q So since the early 2000s you had a moment  
22 where you tried to reconcile with him and it didn't  
23 work out.

24 And since then, how many times have you  
25 spoken with him?



1 A After the -- I call it to myself the second  
2 breakout, after that, very few, two -- two or three  
3 times.

4 Q The "second breakout" is the time when your  
5 reconciliation did not work out?

6 A Yes, sir.

7 Q And you spoke -- so 10 or 12 years you've  
8 spoken with him just once or twice?

9 A Maybe three or four. I'm not sure. But no  
10 more than -- no more than four.

11 Q When's the last time you've seen him?

12 A I don't recall when. But last time I saw  
13 him, he didn't see me. I saw him walk by.

14 Q So all through the Thai litigations, there  
15 have been a series of litigations in Thailand and  
16 Japan and, you know, elsewhere, you have not worked  
17 directly with your father?

18 A No, sir.

19 Q You've not coordinated with him?

20 A No, sir.

21 Q You've both been involved in various times  
22 with these lawsuits, correct?

23 A Yes, sir.

24 Q Have you had different lawyers?

25 A We had same lawyers and different lawyers.

1 A No, sir.

2 Q Have you ever discussed that with your  
3 father?

4 A We -- he just talked that he gave  
5 permission to use, and he got some money for it.

6 Q You recall having that discussion with your  
7 father?

8 A Yes, I do.

9 Q Do you know which Ultraman work was  
10 involved?

11 A I don't remember.

12 Q Mm-hmm.

13 A Sorry.

14 Q You don't remember. Okay.

15 But you were not personally involved in  
16 whatever transaction went down?

17 A No, sir.

18 Q You testified that, I believe, to the  
19 effect that everyone in Thailand knew that your  
20 father had the rights in Ultraman. Do you --

21 A Yes, sir.

22 Q And is that your understanding when you  
23 were a child and growing up that everyone in  
24 Thailand knew your father had the rights?

25 A Yes, sir.

1 Q What is that based on? What makes you say  
2 that?

3 A His movies.

4 Q "His movies" meaning the one that he made  
5 in the 1970s with Tsuburaya?

6 A Yes, sir.

7 Q And then the remake of the movie --

8 A Yes, sir.

9 Q -- that he made later? Okay.

10 A And the TV series. He's got -- my father  
11 has loads of film in the house. We call it 16.  
12 It's short for 16-millimeter. And the -- it was  
13 used for TV broadcast. They didn't have videotapes  
14 then.

15 So my father would license it to TV from  
16 time to time. It's -- I don't know the details.  
17 But I know the film's in the house, in the studio.  
18 It's all the Ultraman films. It's a print -- called  
19 the print.

20 Q You're saying that your father from time to  
21 time would license the classic Ultraman?

22 Is that what you said? I don't want to put  
23 words in your mouth, but I'm trying to understand.

24 Is this another incident of your father  
25 distributing Ultraman or something else?

1 A Yes. You were asking did my father -- what  
2 was it? I'm sorry. I forgot the question.

3 Q The question was you said that everybody in  
4 Thailand, something to that effect --

5 A Yeah. Okay.

6 Q -- knew that your father had the rights?

7 A Yes.

8 Q And I'm wondering what that is based on.

9 A Movies, TV series. So the -- he would  
10 license every now and then. You see, we call it  
11 in -- I think it's also in English, it's called  
12 period.

13 When you license a film or TV, they would  
14 buy from him 16-millimeter. And after that you have  
15 to leave it. You can't show it, same thing every  
16 day.

17 So when the license terminate maybe  
18 sometimes -- I've seen some of the contract -- three  
19 or five years, something like that, he would  
20 redistribute on TV.

21 Q Are you talking about --

22 A So you asked me did my father -- because  
23 that's why my -- people continuously knew my father.  
24 He was related with Ultraman. My father would be  
25 known as the owner of Ultraman and the "Crocodile"

1 movie. That's the two main things.

2 Q These 16-millimeter -- 16-millimeter works,  
3 these were -- were these -- I'm trying to  
4 understand -- classic Ultraman works?

5 A Classic. There is Ultra -- Ultraman, Ultra  
6 Taro, Zoffi, the one listed in the -- it's huge  
7 amount of boxes.

8 Q All right. He had boxes of original  
9 Ultraman works?

10 A Not -- not -- oh, I'm sorry. I'm sorry.  
11 When you say "original," I'm thinking about the  
12 negative.

13 Q Let's focus this a little bit. So you've  
14 got Exhibit 4 in front of you. And we talked about  
15 this a little bit earlier.

16 A Okay.

17 Q We sort of gave a title to certain of these  
18 original Ultraman works that are --

19 A Yes.

20 Q -- identified on this document.

21 A Yes, sir.

22 Q And we agreed that they could be referred  
23 to as "classic Ultraman" or "original Ultraman."

24 A Or original, yes, sir.

25 Q And I'm asking is -- you're mentioning

1 something about him having a stockpile of  
2 16-millimeter?

3 A Yes, sir.

4 Q What are you talking about? Are those --

5 A The films.

6 Q Of these films that are on the 1976  
7 agreement?

8 A I think so. Because it's Ultraman. He's  
9 got -- his work is -- he's a producer. He's got  
10 films all around.

11 The question that you asked me, sir, is did  
12 people know my father from -- how did he know -- he  
13 knew my father because he did the movies.

14 But the movies was one movie, two movies.  
15 But between that, he licensed TV station his  
16 16-millimeter film. It was one time 16-millimeter,  
17 and then it became U-matic tape, and then after that  
18 it became Beta tape.

19 Q What was on those 16-millimeter films?

20 A Ultraman.

21 Q The original Ultraman works that are --

22 A I'm not sure if all of them, but --

23 THE COURT REPORTER: One at a time. Sorry.

24 THE WITNESS: Sorry. Sorry.

25 ///

1 BY MR. POSNER:

2 Q The original -- one or more of the original  
3 Ultraman works that are identified on this  
4 agreement?

5 A Yes, sir.

6 Q He had 16-millimeter film copies of those?

7 A Yes, sir.

8 Q And he licensed them to who?

9 A TV stations.

10 Q In Thailand?

11 A In Thailand.

12 Q In what time period?

13 A I'm not sure because I was not involved at  
14 that time. But he did it -- he would make -- he  
15 would make money from every three, five years from  
16 licensing these movies.

17 Q Every three to five years he would license  
18 these movies, these original -- some -- one or more  
19 of these original Ultraman works --

20 A Yes.

21 Q -- to TV stations in Thailand?

22 A In Thailand, yes, sir.

23 Q And how do you know that he did this?

24 A Everybody in Thai- -- you asked me the  
25 question. Everybody in Thailand knows because it

1 was on TV.

2 Q Everybody in Thailand knew that he licensed  
3 these works to Thai TV stations?

4 A No. They knew -- the question you asked  
5 me, how did they know my father was associated with  
6 Ultraman.

7 Because in Thailand, people would think --  
8 if you think --

9 THE COURT REPORTER: Can you start over?

10 THE WITNESS: Oh. If you think of Ultraman  
11 in Thailand, they would think of my father. That's  
12 the way it is. So when people want to do something  
13 with Ultraman, they would come to my father.  
14 That's -- or "Crocodile." He makes "Crocodile"  
15 movies.

16 BY MR. POSNER:

17 Q Okay. You weren't personally involved in  
18 any of his efforts or -- to license these  
19 16-millimeter films to TV stations in Thailand; is  
20 that correct?

21 A That is correct, sir. I was not involved.

22 Q Have you -- do you recall -- you've  
23 testified before in legal proceedings involving  
24 Ultraman, correct?

25 A Yes, sir.



1 So this grant to you was so that you could  
2 take over the business?

3 A Yes, sir.

4 Q So let me mark this. This is Exhibit 37.

5 (Exhibit 37 was marked for  
6 identification by the reporter.)

7 BY MR. POSNER:

8 Q And this is UMC0000763. I assume you've  
9 seen this one before.

10 A Yes, sir.

11 Q And I understand this is an English  
12 document. But this is what was produced to us.  
13 It's in English.

14 At this time, March 2007, I thought I  
15 understood from your prior testimony that you have  
16 already not had a good relationship with your father  
17 for many years at this point; is that correct?

18 A I think we --

19 Q That's what we got.

20 A Oh. The signature?

21 Q I only have what your -- what you produced  
22 to us. So if there's a signature missing, then  
23 that's just because that's what we got.

24 So my question is: This is an agreement  
25 dated March 4th, 2007.

1 As of this time you have -- it had already  
2 been several years that you and your father have --  
3 had not had a good relationship, correct?

4 A Yes, sir.

5 Q How did it come to be that you worked out  
6 this agreement with your father, then, in March  
7 2007?

8 A This is one of the last time, maybe one of  
9 few last time I talked to him.

10 And it was not easy obtaining this signed  
11 agreement because he was a bit -- I wouldn't say  
12 delusional. He was hard to handle. But eventually  
13 he knew that he would give everything to me. So we  
14 talked a bit, yelled a bit.

15 Q So you hadn't been talking for a while, and  
16 you'd been fighting. But you came together to talk  
17 about this agreement?

18 A The agreement was made in 2007. At the  
19 time I think my -- please hold on -- my mother was  
20 alive at that time still. Yes, he didn't only give  
21 me that -- the -- own --

22 (Discussion held off the record between  
23 the interpreter and the witness.)

24 THE INTERPRETER: "Transfer."

25 THE WITNESS: Transfer me the rights but

1 (Discussion held off the record between  
2 the interpreter and the witness.)

3 THE WITNESS: My recollection is TPC wanted  
4 my father to testify in this case. Is that right?

5 BY MR. POSNER:

6 Q If that's your recollection. I'm just --

7 A Yes.

8 Q -- wondering what it is.

9 A Yes. Yes, to testify.

10 Q Okay. I take it you haven't discussed this  
11 lawsuit with your father.

12 A Oh, no. No. I haven't talked to him for a  
13 while.

14 Q Is it your position that after entering  
15 into this agreement, No. 37, Exhibit 37, your father  
16 has had no rights at all to distribute Ultraman  
17 works?

18 A Yes, sir.

19 MR. POSNER: Okay. Let's take a break.

20 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

21 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: This concludes DVD  
22 No. 3. We're now going off the video record. The  
23 time is 4:51.

24 (Recess taken from 4:51 p.m.  
25 to 5:01 p.m.)

1 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are back on the video  
2 record. This is DVD No. 4. The time is 5:01.

3 BY MR. POSNER:

4 Q So back to Exhibit 37. We see there's no  
5 signatures on it.

6 You think there might exist a version of  
7 this that has signatures?

8 A Yes, sir, official.

9 Q There is a seal or a circle that appears to  
10 be some sort of seal or stamp that's half cut off.  
11 Do you see that?

12 A Yes, sir.

13 Q Do you know what that is or what that  
14 indicates?

15 A I think that's the -- the company seal.

16 Q Of which company? This is between,  
17 remember, your father and you.

18 A It said something Corp.

19 Q You don't know exactly what it is?

20 A No, sir.

21 Q Okay. So after you got these rights from  
22 your father on March 4th, 2007 -- these are the  
23 rights under the 1976 agreement -- did you do  
24 anything to exploit those rights?

25 Did you enter into license agreements or

1 anything?

2 A Yes, sir, we did.

3 Q Did you do that individually?

4 I mean, like, Perasit is now licensing  
5 these works? Did you enter into any such --

6 A Oh, no, no. Sorry. No.

7 Q Okay. Are you referring to transferring  
8 these rights to UM Corporation?

9 A Yes, sir.

10 Q So that's the next exhibit, then, No. 38.

11 (Exhibit 38 was marked for

12 identification by the reporter.)

13 BY MR. POSNER:

14 Q This is also an assignment agreement. This  
15 is UMC0000755. This is -- this might be an English  
16 translation. I'm -- actually don't know.

17 Do you -- have you seen this document  
18 before?

19 A Yes, sir.

20 Q There would be a certification of a  
21 translation.

22 So do you know if this document was  
23 prepared in English or in Thai?

24 A In English.

25 Q In English. Why did you do it in English?

1 A Because it's Japanese company.

2 Q It's -- UM is a Japanese company?

3 A Yes.

4 Q And you're a Thai individual and --

5 A Yes.

6 Q Okay. Why not do it in Japanese?

7 A I can't read Japanese that well.

8 Q So this is -- so is it correct that through  
9 this agreement, in essence, you assigned all the  
10 rights that you had been given from your father  
11 under the 1976 agreement to UM Corporation?

12 A I'm sorry. Could you repeat that again?  
13 I'm not following.

14 Q Yeah. Is the main purpose of this  
15 agreement, is it correct that it was to assign the  
16 rights that you had received from your father under  
17 the 1976 agreement to UM Corporation?

18 A Yes, sir, it's correct.

19 Q And this is dated December 24, 2008. Do  
20 you see that on the front?

21 A Yes, sir.

22 Q So that's just a few weeks, I believe,  
23 after UM Corporation was formed based on documents  
24 we looked at earlier. Does that seem correct?

25 Chronologically, does it seem correct to

1 February 9, 2009, between you and your father?

2 A No.

3 Q Or you and UM Corporation. Excuse me. It  
4 would be you and UM Corporation. You're not?

5 A No, sir.

6 MR. POSNER: Am I missing something? If  
7 you know about something dated February 9th, 2009,  
8 I'm interested to know.

9 MR. WEXLER: (Shook head.)

10 MR. POSNER: Okay.

11 BY MR. POSNER:

12 Q Do you know who Masaki Kobayashi is?

13 A It sounds familiar.

14 Q Are you aware of a contract that  
15 UM Corporation entered into with Masaki Kobayashi in  
16 2010?

17 A I'm not certain. I have to see.

18 Q I'm not going to ask questions about it.

19 Okay. So Exhibit 40 is a licensing  
20 agreement.

21 (Exhibit 40 was marked for  
22 identification by the reporter.)

23 BY MR. POSNER:

24 Q TIGA -- it's labeled TIGA0000195. This was  
25 produced to us by TIGA in this case.

1 And have you seen this before?

2 Does this appear to be -- well,

3 UM Corporation has entered into one or more license  
4 agreements with TIGA, correct?

5 A Yes, sir.

6 Q Is this one of them?

7 Are you familiar with this contract?

8 A Yes, sir.

9 Q Yeah. Okay. So you licensed certain --  
10 UM Corporation licensed certain rights to TIGA.

11 And is it your understanding that you were  
12 licensing to TIGA the right to distribute certain  
13 specific Ultraman works as opposed to allowing them  
14 to create new Ultraman works?

15 A Yes, sir.

16 Q Okay. And on page -- well, let me just --  
17 you received a royalty fee in exchange for the  
18 license?

19 Does that -- is that correct?

20 A Yes, sir.

21 Q So you granted them a license to distribute  
22 works; they agreed to pay you a royalty fee?

23 A Yes, sir.

24 Q And there's an indication on page 199 of  
25 this that the agent shall pay the annual royalty fee



CERTIFICATE OF READER-INTERPRETER

I, \_\_\_\_\_,  
whose address is \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_,  
a person who speaks the language of the witness,  
namely, Thai, do hereby certify that on the \_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, I did translate the  
foregoing deposition from the English language into  
the Thai language, reading the same to the witness  
in the witness's native tongue, to the best of my  
ability;

That all corrections and changes requested  
by the witness were made and initialed by the  
witness;

That, upon completion of said reading, the  
witness did confirm to me that the witness  
understood the reading.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Reader-Interpreter

1 STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
 ) ss.

2 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES )  
3  
4  
5

6 I, PERASIT SAENGDUENCHAI, having appeared  
7 for my videotaped deposition on December 12, 2016,  
8 hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the  
9 laws of the United States of America that the  
10 foregoing is true and correct.

11 Executed this 6 day of January  
12 2017, at Tokyo, Japan.  
(city) (state)

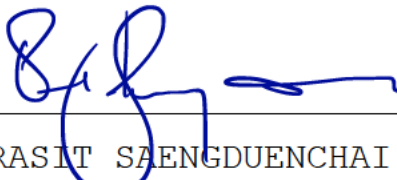
13

14

15

16

17

  
PERASIT SAENGDUENCHAI

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

CERTIFICATE OF CERTIFIED SHORTHAND REPORTER

I, Marla Sharp, certified shorthand  
reporter in the State of California, hereby certify:

That the foregoing videotaped deposition  
of PERASIT SAENGDUENCHAI, Volume I, was taken before  
me on December 12, 2016, at which time the witness  
was duly sworn by me;

That the testimony of the witness and all  
colloquy and objections made at the time of the  
deposition were recorded stenographically by me and  
thereafter transcribed, said transcript being a true  
copy of my shorthand notes thereof;

(x) That review of the transcript was  
requested before completion of the deposition;  
( ) that the witness has failed or refused to  
approve the transcript.

I further certify I am neither financially  
interested in the action nor a relative or employee  
of any attorney of any of the parties.

In witness whereof, I have subscribed my  
name and signature this date, December 22, 2016.

---

Marla Sharp

RPR, CLR, CCRR, CSR 11924

ERRATA SHEET FOR THE TRANSCRIPT OF:

Case Name: UM CORPORATION, a Japanese corporation  
vs. TSUBURAYA PRODUCTIONS CO. LTD., a Japanese  
corporation

Depo. Date: December 12, 2016

Deponent: PERASIT SAENGDUENCHAI

Reason codes:

1. To clarify the record.
2. To conform to the facts.
3. To correct transcription errors.

| Pg. | Ln. | Now Reads                | Should Read                   | Reason           |
|-----|-----|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| 97  | 25  | My home represents Thai. | My home's residence's Thai.   | mistranscription |
| 130 | 24  | in a better mentally     | in a better...gentle mentally | mistranscription |
| 169 | 22  | put your name            | put Tsuburaya name            | mistranscription |

Signature of PERASIT SAENGDUENCHAI

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME

THIS 6 DAY OF January, 2017.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA - WESTERN DIVISION

UM CORPORATION, a Japanese  
corporation,

Plaintiff,

vs.

TSUBURAYA PRODUCTIONS CO.  
LTD., a Japanese corporation,

Defendant.

TSUBURAYA PRODUCTIONS CO.  
LTD., a Japanese corporation,

Counterclaimant,

vs.

UM CORPORATION, a Japanese  
corporation; ULTRAMAN USA,  
INC., a California  
corporation; SOMPOTE  
SAENGDUENCHAI, a Thai  
individual; GOLDEN MEDIA  
GROUP, INC., a California  
corporation; TIGA  
ENTERTAINMENT COMPANY, LTD., a  
Hong Kong corporation; and  
DOES 1-10

Counterdefendants.

VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF GOLDEN MEDIA GROUP, with  
witness PERASIT SAENGDUENCHAI, pursuant to 30(b)(6)

Los Angeles, California, Tuesday, December 13, 2016

Reported by: MARLA SHARP

Job No: 115837

1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10  
11  
12  
13  
14  
15  
16  
17  
18  
19  
20  
21  
22  
23  
24  
25

December 13, 2016  
9:37 a.m.

Videotaped deposition of  
PERASIT SAENGDUENCHAI, held at the  
offices of Quinn Emanuel Urquhart &  
Sullivan, 865 South Figueroa Street,  
10th Floor, Los Angeles, California,  
pursuant to agreement before  
Marla Sharp, a Certified Shorthand  
Reporter in and for the State of  
California.

A P P E A R A N C E S:

PILLSBURY WINTHROP SHAW PITTMAN

Attorneys for Plaintiff

401 Congress Avenue

Austin, TX 78701

BY: MICHAEL CHIBIB, ESQ.

JEFFREY WEXLER, ESQ.

TIM RAWSON, P.E.

QUINN EMANUEL URQUHART & SULLIVAN

Attorneys for Defendant Tsuburaya

Productions Co. Ltd.

865 South Figueroa Street

Los Angeles, CA 90017

BY: DANIEL POSNER, ESQ.

ALSO PRESENT:

MICHAEL MULLIN, videographer

THANISA TIRANASAWADI

TAKEHIRO KANEKO

1 LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

2 TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2016

3 9:37 A.M.

4 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Good morning. We are  
5 now on the video record. This is volume 2, a  
6 continuation in the deposition of Perasit  
7 Saengduenchai. Today's date is Tuesday,  
8 December 13th, 2016. The time now is 9:37 a.m. The  
9 witness has already been sworn.

10 SUPACHAI (GUY) PRASERTPHONG,  
11 having been first duly sworn to translate the  
12 English language into the Thai language and the Thai  
13 language into the English language to the best of  
14 his ability, interpreted the following:

15 - - -

16 PERASIT SAENGDUENCHAI,  
17 having been first duly sworn,  
18 was examined and testified as follows:

19 - - -

20 EXAMINATION

21 BY MR. POSNER:

22 Q Okay. Good morning.

23 A Good morning.

24 Q Thank you for coming back. I want to start  
25 with a, I guess, administrative matter of sorts.



1 But yesterday we marked as an exhibit Exhibit  
2 No. 37, which was the March 4th, 2007, assignment  
3 agreement from your father, Sompote, to you,  
4 Perasit. Do you --

5 A Yes.

6 Q Do you recall that document? And --

7 A Exhibit No. 37?

8 Q Correct. And it was lacking a signature  
9 page yesterday.

10 A Yes, sir.

11 Q And after the deposition, your counsel  
12 referred us to the signature page that, I guess, had  
13 been produced but perhaps it was, like, a metadata  
14 issue and the pages weren't attached. I'm not sure.  
15 So -- but we have it assembled.

16 And so I want to, just for sake of the  
17 record, mark Exhibit No. 42 as what I believe is now  
18 the complete agreement with the signature pages.

19 (Exhibit 42 was marked for  
20 identification by the reporter.)

21 BY MR. POSNER:

22 Q So just look this over, please. And my  
23 question is: Does this appear to be a accurate,  
24 true, and correct copy of the assignment agreement  
25 from your father to you dated March 4, 2007?

1 And just let me know when you're --

2 A Okay.

3 Q Yeah.

4 A Yes, sir.

5 Q Okay.

6 A I believe it is.

7 Q And there's now signatures on the last  
8 page, which is labeled UMC771?

9 A Yes, sir.

10 Q All right. That's -- it looks like you  
11 signed it and your father signed it. Thanisa signed  
12 it. And then somebody named Boonchai,  
13 B-o-o-n-c-h-a-i, signed it. Do you see that?

14 A Yes, sir.

15 Q Do you understand that person to be a  
16 translator for your father?

17 A No, sir. He's the -- his lawyer.

18 Q Boonchai is a lawyer?

19 A Yes, sir.

20 Q Okay. Okay. You can put that aside.

21 Why don't you pull out again Exhibit No. 4,  
22 which is -- Exhibit No. 4, you might not have it in  
23 your stack. It's the 1976 agreement. Do you have  
24 it in your stack there? It was marked at the first  
25 deposition. We can find another copy if needed.

1 Oh, you have it there? Okay.

2 A Yes.

3 Q So what's been marked as Exhibit No. 4,  
4 UMC0000092, is what we call the 1976 agreement,  
5 correct?

6 A Yes.

7 Q All right. And as we discussed yesterday a  
8 little bit, this document purports to provide your  
9 father Sompote with rights in nine specified works  
10 in Article 1.

11 Do you see that? Do you see that list of  
12 works?

13 A Yes, sir.

14 Q Okay. And we talked a little bit about  
15 them yesterday. Some are Ultraman works, a couple,  
16 you said, were not, I believe.

17 A Yes, sir.

18 Q All right. So this is March 4th, 1976. I  
19 believe you testified, and we'll probably talk about  
20 it later, that in 1996, 20 years later,  
21 approximately, after this, you and your father  
22 discussed this agreement with Tsuburaya.

23 Do you recall that time period, 1996?

24 A Yes, sir.

25 Q Okay. Between 19- -- between 1976 and

1 1996, your father held the rights under this 1976  
2 agreement; is that your understanding?

3 A Between --

4 Q Between 1976 and 1996, your father -- your  
5 father held the rights under this agreement?

6 A Yes.

7 Q Do you know of anything or are you aware of  
8 anything during that time period, 1976 to 1996, that  
9 Tsuburaya did to prevent your father from exercising  
10 his rights under the 1976 agreement?

11 A During which date?

12 Q During that time period, 1976 to 1996. The  
13 question is: Do you know of anything that Tsuburaya,  
14 my client, the company, did to prevent your father  
15 from exercising his rights under that agreement?

16 A No, sir.

17 Q Do you know if, during that time period,  
18 '76 to '96, your father actually licensed any of  
19 these works identified -- granted a license to  
20 somebody else with respect to any of these works  
21 identified in Article I?

22 A During --

23 Q That time period, '76 --

24 A That time --

25 Q -- to '96?

1 A Yes, he did, sir.

2 Q And which works did he license?

3 A I'm not certain at that time. But a few  
4 movies, TV series that he did. He did quite a few.  
5 But I'm not certain because I don't -- I don't have  
6 the documents with me.

7 Q Okay. That was going to be my question.  
8 You don't have -- you haven't seen any documents to  
9 evidence any of those licenses that --

10 A I --

11 Q -- you're talking about?

12 A I have seen, sir, but I don't have it with  
13 me.

14 Q Okay.

15 A It's not in my possession.

16 Q Do you know if they've been presented as  
17 evidence in any of the cases that have been  
18 litigated?

19 A I'm sure he must have, my father.

20 Q Okay. So if there were -- if your father  
21 granted licenses to these works between 1976 and  
22 '96, your understanding is documents relating to  
23 those licenses would have been produced and  
24 discussed in the prior litigations?

25 A I'm not certain, sir, because the

1 A Yes, sir.

2 Q -- S-h-i-r-o.

3 Did not listen to any of his or her music.

4 But that's the person who you mentioned yesterday

5 as --

6 A Yes, sir.

7 Q -- another person who you believe received  
8 a license from your father?

9 A To use it in a music video, sir.

10 Q Okay. But you don't know -- just to  
11 confirm, you don't know which work was licensed?

12 A No, sir.

13 Q You don't know when?

14 A No, sir.

15 Q You've never seen any documents  
16 supporting -- or evidencing that license?

17 A No, sir.

18 Q Okay. And do you know one way or the other  
19 whether your father's ever testified about that  
20 license in any of the prior proceedings?

21 A I'm not sure, sir.

22 Q Same questions. You mentioned licenses you  
23 believe your father gave to a Thai TV station. But  
24 just to confirm, you don't know which works were  
25 licensed?

1 Let me just clarify. I think you actually  
2 said you believe your father gave licenses to  
3 possibly more than one Thai television station; is  
4 that correct?

5 A Yes, sir.

6 Q Okay. But you have not seen documents  
7 relating to those licenses?

8 A I have seen, sir.

9 Q You have seen them?

10 A Yes, sir.

11 Q When did you see them?

12 A In the late 1990s, during the -- in the  
13 1990s. I'm not sure of the date. It was definitely  
14 after 1996.

15 Q Okay. So these Thai licenses that you're  
16 talking about to the Thai television stations, do  
17 you believe the licenses were granted after 1996?

18 A No, sir.

19 Q The licenses were granted before 1996?

20 A It was during the '80s, sir.

21 Q But you saw the documents after 1996?

22 A Yes, sir.

23 Q Do you know where those documents are?

24 A At my father's -- he's got a --

25 ///

1 or Chaiyo's victory in the Japan litigation?

2 A I'm not certain, sir.

3 Q Okay.

4 A I only know that the amount was given.

5 Q Why did it bother you that your father was  
6 paying a success fee?

7 A Because I objected to it.

8 Q I'm sorry?

9 A I objected to it.

10 Q But I'm asking --

11 (Discussion held off the record between  
12 the witness and interpreter.)

13 BY MR. POSNER:

14 Q I'm wondering why you objected to it.

15 A I thought it was not necessary and was  
16 excessive.

17 Q When is the last time you recall speaking  
18 with your father?

19 A Ten years or so, sir.

20 Q So --

21 A Eight, ten. I'm -- meeting my father. But  
22 talking, we had some -- a few conversation on the  
23 phone. Not conversation, just --

24 Q So it's December 2016. The last time you  
25 met with him in person was about ten years ago?



1 A Excuse me.

2 Q Just for frame of reference. It's -- today  
3 is December 2016. So you say you met with him about  
4 ten years ago. So is that about 2006?

5 A I'm not certain, sir. Eight year, ten  
6 years. But I've talked with him on the phone. I've  
7 seen him -- he didn't see me -- a few times in  
8 court.

9 Q When is the last time you spoke with him on  
10 the phone?

11 A Oh, a few years ago, sir. I'm not certain.

12 MR. POSNER: Exhibit 45 is a compilation of  
13 photographs.

14 (Exhibit 45 was marked for  
15 identification by the reporter.)

16 BY MR. POSNER:

17 Q I don't want you to think we're too creepy.  
18 These were taken when we were trying to find your  
19 father to serve him with papers in the lawsuit.

20 There's a number of pictures. Do you --  
21 the first -- on the first page of this, does that --  
22 do you know what that photograph is of?

23 A No, sir, I don't.

24 Q Okay.

25 A Not the first one.

1 over the past several years -- or, really, at any  
2 time since the formation of UM Corporation, are you  
3 aware of times when Sompote has contacted somebody  
4 at the company to request to do business relating to  
5 Ultraman? Has that ever happened, if you know?

6 MR. CHIBIB: Objection. Vague as to the  
7 company. I wasn't sure what you --

8 BY MR. POSNER:

9 Q You --

10 MR. CHIBIB: -- were referring to.

11 BY MR. POSNER:

12 Q Yeah. Are you aware of any time -- has --  
13 are you aware of any time in -- since UM Corporation  
14 was formed when your father has contacted somebody  
15 at the company -- you, Uematsu, Thanisa -- to  
16 request to do business relating to Ultraman? Do you  
17 know if that's ever happened?

18 A To do business, sir? No.

19 Q Has -- do you know if he's ever asked to --  
20 for permission to do business relating to Ultraman?  
21 Has he ever asked the permission of UM Corporation,  
22 if you know?

23 A Not to my knowledge, sir.

24 Q Have you ever discussed -- do you recall  
25 ever discussing with your associates at

1 UM Corporation whether to permit Sompote to do  
2 business relating to Ultraman?

3 A Yes, sir, we have discussed.

4 Q What was the -- what was discussed? What  
5 was he ask -- what was the business that was being  
6 discussed?

7 MR. CHIBIB: And I'll instruct you not to  
8 reveal any attorney-client communications.

9 BY MR. POSNER:

10 Q I'm asking -- so you say you've had  
11 discussions within UM Corporation --

12 A Yes, sir.

13 Q -- about potentially permitting Sompote to  
14 do business relating to Ultraman?

15 A The question --

16 Q I'm asking what you recall about --

17 A Okay.

18 Q -- that.

19 A The discussion was simple and it was an  
20 instruction from me that -- never to have my father  
21 do business with UMC, sir. That's the -- we had the  
22 discussion whether it was -- it was between our --

23 Q Okay.

24 A -- people.

25 Q Do you recall -- was that from the very

1 beginning of UM Corporation or was that sometime  
2 later?

3 A Sometimes later, sir.

4 Q Why did you make that -- why did you make  
5 that statement?

6 A Because I always wanted to be rid of my  
7 father from doing business with him, sir.

8 MR. POSNER: I'll mark Exhibit 47.

9 (Exhibit 47 was marked for  
10 identification by the reporter.)

11 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

12 BY MR. POSNER:

13 Q Yes, thank you.

14 This is an e-mail exchange from March 5th,  
15 2013, from Thanisa to an e-mail address that says  
16 umcjapan@gmail.com.

17 Do you know whose e-mail address that is?

18 A Yes, sir.

19 Q Whose is that?

20 A Ms. Thanisa's e-mail, sir.

21 Q Is her e-mail address also nanonan.t?

22 A I'm familiar with this one, sir, only,  
23 mostly, if --

24 Q So when you want to e-mail Thanisa, you use  
25 umcjapan@gmail?

1 Q That's UM Corporation's position?

2 A Yes, sir.

3 MR. POSNER: Oh, I guess I have one more.

4 BY MR. POSNER:

5 Q Did you -- do you know if you received a  
6 response from your father to that letter? Well,  
7 okay. That's the wrong question because that's --  
8 that letter wasn't sent to your father.

9 Let me give you Exhibit 58.

10 (Exhibit 58 was marked for  
11 identification by the reporter.)

12 BY MR. POSNER:

13 Q This is another document that was produced  
14 17,882 pages later by UMC. It's numbered  
15 UMC0017883. It's a letter dated June 15th, 2015,  
16 from Pillsbury, the law firm, to Sompote?

17 A Yes, sir.

18 Q Okay. Why don't you just take a look  
19 over -- have you seen this before?

20 A Yes, sir.

21 Q Is this a letter that you -- that you  
22 requested that your lawyer send to Sompote?

23 A Yes, sir.

24 Q Okay. And the purpose of this is to ask  
25 him to cease and desist from infringing your rights

1 recollection of entering into a revenue sharing  
2 agreement with your father?

3 A I have might have if it's regarding the  
4 land and -- we have many other assets.

5 Q Who do you think wrote this letter?

6 A I'm not sure.

7 Q You think it was a lawyer for you?

8 A Definitely. A lawyer. It's not my  
9 writing, sir.

10 Q Do you know who -- which lawyer it might've  
11 been or it was? Yamazaki?

12 A Oh, no. He doesn't write Thai. I think --

13 Q Jesada? Is that person a lawyer,  
14 J-e-s-e-d-a [sic]?

15 A No, sir, not -- definitely not Mr. Jesada.

16 Q Okay. Well, we'll follow up. We'll see if  
17 we can find -- find that document. Okay. So you  
18 can put that aside in your list.

19 I'm going to ask: You're familiar with the  
20 document that's called the noncontravention  
21 agreement?

22 A The -- which one, sir? Can I see?

23 Q I said that quickly. Exhibit 60 is --

24 A Yes.

25 Q -- a document that your lawyers produced.

1 And it is called the "Non-Contravention Agreement,"  
2 UMC0013107.

3 Have you seen this before?

4 A Yes, sir, I have.

5 Q All right. This is dated January 29, 1998,  
6 by and among Chaiyo City Studio Limited Partnership,  
7 Tsuburaya -- Tsuburaya Chaiyo Company Limited --

8 A Yes, sir.

9 Q -- Bandai Company Limited, and Abe Sogo Law  
10 Office. S-o-g-o. Okay.

11 A Yes, sir.

12 Q So Tsuburaya -- excuse me. Chaiyo City  
13 Studio Limited Partnership, we talked about --

14 A Yes.

15 Q -- that company a moment ago --

16 A Yes, sir.

17 Q -- before the break?

18 That's a company that you said your father  
19 has been using for a while?

20 A Yes, sir.

21 Q And you didn't think your father was still  
22 using that company until perhaps you saw some of the  
23 documents that we looked at today?

24 A Yes, sir.

25 Q Okay. What was the -- were you involved in

1 the negotiation of this agreement?

2 A I was the interpreter, sir.

3 Q You were interpreter. For your father?

4 A Yes, sir.

5 Q Okay. So, yes, you were present at times  
6 when this agreement was being discussed?

7 A Yes, sir.

8 Q How did this agreement come about? Tell me  
9 how it came to be that the parties to this started  
10 to negotiate this.

11 A The three contract -- we call it the three  
12 contract. Bandai, it's a -- it's a big toy -- major  
13 toy company in the world. Bandai has always been a  
14 licensee of TPC, a major licensee of TPC. Bandai  
15 currently -- currently holds 49 percent of your --  
16 of TPC, Tsuburaya Productions.

17 Q Okay.

18 A Okay. And at the time Bandai approached my  
19 father wishing to get the rights from him, from my  
20 father, in regards to Ultraman.

21 The problem that Bandai had that I recall  
22 from translating -- I was not always present at the  
23 negotiation. Sometimes it's other people. Sometime  
24 it was me.

25 I'm telling you from my recollection that I



1 was present. Bandai was having problem because they  
2 were licensees to TPC, Tsuburaya Production, because  
3 no matter what, the 1976 does not give my father the  
4 rights to Japan. He would never have the rights to  
5 Japan in any circumstance.

6 That's a problem for Bandai that they  
7 discussed with my father and said, "We wish to do  
8 business with you. We want to have the rights."

9 But no matter what you cannot have the  
10 rights in Japan. And that made a problem for  
11 Bandai. So Bandai wished to make three contracts to  
12 pay my father the amount of 400 million yen or  
13 something. But --

14 Q Four hundred million?

15 A Four hundred million.

16 Q Yen?

17 A But it must be done --

18 (Discussion held off the record between  
19 the interpreter and the witness.)

20 THE WITNESS: Discreetly. Discreetly to --  
21 no matter what, TPC must not know about this  
22 contract. That's the intention that Bandai  
23 approached my father to do the -- to make the  
24 contracts. So three contracts were made and  
25 entered. And my father received the money.

1 BY MR. POSNER:

2 Q Did you have an understanding about why  
3 Bandai wanted to keep this secret from Tsuburaya?  
4 Was that discussed?

5 A Yes, because Tsuburaya at the time  
6 threatened Bandai that, "If you get license from  
7 Chaiyo" -- that's what they usually called my  
8 father -- then they would terminate the rights in  
9 Japan.

10 Q So this was not long after you and your  
11 father showed the 19- -- the 1976 agreement to  
12 Tsuburaya, and it was before any court had decided  
13 who's right and who's wrong about that agreement.  
14 Is that --

15 MR. CHIBIB: Objection.

16 BY MR. POSNER:

17 Q Is that --

18 MR. CHIBIB: Foundation.

19 THE WITNESS: I don't remember the dates.

20 BY MR. POSNER:

21 Q Do you remember the timing?

22 A On -- no, sir.

23 Q Okay.

24 A It's --

25 Q To 1998?

1 A Okay. 1998.

2 Q January 1998.

3 So was this Chaiyo Company, did it hold the  
4 rights -- so that the Chaiyo Company that's -- well,  
5 let me make sure I've got this right. So there's  
6 Chaiyo City Studio Limited Partnership. That's one  
7 company.

8 Tsuburaya Chaiyo Company Limited. And you  
9 refer to both those companies together with  
10 Mr. Sompote as "Chaiyo." Okay.

11 So the two Chaiyo Companies and Sompote are  
12 defined in this agreement as "Chaiyo." And in the  
13 first recital, the statement says that Chaiyo --  
14 basically that Chaiyo has the rights under the 1976  
15 agreement.

16 A Well, to be correct, Chaiyo City Studio  
17 actually was not involved so -- in any way with --

18 Q Okay.

19 A -- Ultraman business. But this is made by  
20 Bandai. So they just want to include everything.

21 Q Okay. You were -- so Chaiyo -- so Bandai  
22 paid some amount of money under this contract.

23 Did -- do you know if that payment was  
24 actually made?

25 A Yes, sir, it was made.

1 Q And was it -- on -- there's a payment term  
2 on page 3 to 4. It looks like three installment  
3 payments, 30 million yen, 30 million yen, 40 million  
4 yen. That's a hundred million yen total.

5 That's what this -- that's what they paid  
6 you under this contract?

7 A No, sir. They paid 400 million.

8 Q Okay.

9 MR. CHIBIB: And I object to the term  
10 "you." I'm not sure who you're talking about  
11 receiving the payment in that question.

12 BY MR. POSNER:

13 Q Does -- do the other -- are the other  
14 payments referred in the -- so this -- at least what  
15 I'm looking at here refers to \$100 million in  
16 payments, this noncontravention agreement. And  
17 you're talking about \$400 million.

18 Were those other \$300 million, did they  
19 relate to the other two contracts that are part of  
20 this --

21 A Yes, sir.

22 Q -- deal?

23 MR. CHIBIB: Objection. Vague as -- you  
24 keep reciting dollars. I believe you mean yen.

25 THE WITNESS: Yen.

1 BY MR. POSNER:

2 Q I mean yen. So the other contracts that  
3 are part of the three-contract deal provided for  
4 additional payments of 300 million yen?

5 A Yes, sir.

6 Q In exchange -- and this document in  
7 particular, the noncontravention agreement, in  
8 exchange for receiving 100 million yen, what did --  
9 what did Chaiyo provide to Bandai?

10 MR. CHIBIB: Objection. Calls for a legal  
11 conclusion.

12 BY MR. POSNER:

13 Q In your understanding.

14 A That my father would -- in short term, that  
15 my father would waive the right to sue them, because  
16 they were afraid that -- Bandai was afraid that they  
17 have been infringing my father's rights.

18 Q Okay. The waiver of the right to sue --  
19 will you take a look at paragraph 2.3 on 109 on the  
20 bottom right, UMC0013109. Right? You see  
21 paragraph 2.3?

22 A Yes, sir.

23 Q That's called the "Waiver of Enforcement of  
24 Rights and Release"?

25 A Yes, sir.

1 conclusion.

2 BY MR. POSNER:

3 Q Just take a look at -- yeah, Schedule A  
4 says "Chaiyo Rights, All rights listed in the 1976  
5 License Agreement." Do you see that?

6 A Yes, sir.

7 Q So you recall that the rights that were  
8 being referred to were the rights granted in the  
9 1976 agreement?

10 A Yes, sir.

11 Q Okay. There's another agreement that I  
12 think was also part of this -- I think one of the  
13 three -- this is Exhibit 61.

14 (Exhibit 61 was marked for  
15 identification by the reporter.)

16 BY MR. POSNER:

17 Q This is -- this is UMC0013100. It's an  
18 assignment agreement. It's also dated January 29th,  
19 1998. It's also unsigned.

20 And this appears to be an agreement where  
21 Sompote transfers to a company called MegaHouse or  
22 does something with a company called MegaHouse  
23 relating to a movie or a work called "Ramayana: War  
24 of the Celestials God." Is this one of the three  
25 agreements you were referencing?

1 A Yes, sir.

2 Q And what was the purpose of this agreement?

3 A The purpose of the agreement was the -- I  
4 recall the negotiation was 300 -- the 400 million  
5 yen that Bandai agreed to pay to my father.

6 So Bandai was trying to hide the other 300  
7 from TPC. So they made this agreement, which was  
8 not true and accurate because Ramayana could not be  
9 made into movie. It's public domain. So they want  
10 to combine the same amount to make it 400 million.

11 Q If the agreement -- if you know, if the  
12 agreement, the noncontravention, was intended to be  
13 confidential and never shown to Tsuburaya, then why  
14 was it necessary to hide 300 million of that payment  
15 in a separate agreement?

16 A We don't know, sir, because it was Bandai's  
17 intention.

18 Q Okay. So there was no -- what is  
19 "Ramayana: War of the Celestials God"?

20 A Ramayana is just a name of -- Ramayana's an  
21 Indian story.

22 Q Is that an actual movie, "Ramayana: War of  
23 the Celestials God"?

24 A No, sir.

25 Q Okay. So your testimony is that this is

1 essentially --

2 A Yes.

3 Q -- a cover or a front for the payment of

4 \$300 million --

5 A Yes.

6 Q -- from Bandai to your father?

7 A Yes, sir.

8 Q Or to Chaiyo. And --

9 A To my father, sir.

10 Q To your father. And -- to your father.

11 That's right. Chaiyo is not actually, it looks

12 like, a party to this assignment agreement. Your

13 father is.

14 And do you know if this money was actually

15 paid?

16 A I think, yes, sir, it was paid.

17 Q So Bandai paid \$400 million to your

18 father --

19 MR. CHIBIB: Objection. Vague.

20 BY MR. POSNER:

21 Q -- or to Chaiyo --

22 MR. CHIBIB: I --

23 BY MR. POSNER:

24 Q -- under these --

25 MR. CHIBIB: -- believe you mean yen.



1 BY MR. POSNER:

2 Q Excuse me. Bandai paid 400 million yen to  
3 your father pursuant to these two agreements?

4 A Yes, sir.

5 Q Did you personally receive any portion of  
6 that money?

7 A No, sir.

8 Q What is 400 million yen in 1998? What are  
9 we roughly talking about in dollars? Any sense of  
10 that? I think 100 million yen today is less than a  
11 million dollars?

12 A Yeah.

13 Q So several million US dollars is what these  
14 contracts were worth? Does that seem correct?

15 A Probably, sir.

16 Q Substantial amount of money? Yeah?

17 A Yes, sir.

18 Q Are you aware that the court in Japan, in  
19 one of the two Japanese litigations, discussed and  
20 interpreted the noncontravention agreement?

21 A Yes, sir.

22 Q Okay. Do you -- and, in fact, the court  
23 found that, based on the noncontravention agreement,  
24 UM Corporation's claims against Tsuburaya were  
25 invalid?

1 A No, sir.

2 MR. CHIBIB: Objection.

3 BY MR. POSNER:

4 Q No, that's not your understanding?

5 A No, sir.

6 Q What is your understanding?

7 A The understanding for the court in Japan  
8 was about the damage. So eventually the court  
9 decide that the damage has been paid; therefore, we  
10 cannot retrieve the damage. But they did not -- the  
11 court did not -- the court affirmed in that case  
12 that UMC still has the rights. But we cannot claim  
13 the damage according to this noncontravention, which  
14 at the time we were very upset because --

15 Q At the time of the ruling?

16 A At the time of the ruling -- because we  
17 believe we abided by our contractual agreement not  
18 to disclose the third -- the third -- there's three  
19 documents. You produced two. There's another one.  
20 And it's all bundled.

21 The contract -- this noncontravention  
22 contract was terminated by our lawyer before the  
23 lawsuits. And we later found out that it was not  
24 produced because I was not present at the time.

25 Q What was not produced? The termination?

1           A     The termination of the three contracts --  
2     the termination of the noncontravention- -- the  
3     three contracts and production of this agreement was  
4     not made, these two agreements by TPC.

5           Q     I'm sorry. Say that again.

6           A     The contracts were three bundled contracts.  
7     It was binding as the three contracts.

8           Q     What is the third contract? Because I  
9     don't think I have that here. If you -- as far as  
10    you remember, what was the purpose of that contract?

11          A     The purpose of that contract was to show  
12    that if Bandai was to become licensee, the amount of  
13    money could be transferred -- the amount of money  
14    paid -- Bandai wished for -- if the money was to  
15    be -- they want to translate this 400 million yen as  
16    an advance minimum guarantee for the rights to  
17    Ultraman.

18                However, they must pay 5 percent royalty  
19    fee for -- for the ongoing licensing and they must  
20    become our licensee.

21                However, TPC produce only the  
22    noncontravention and hid the other two from the  
23    court. And we, who had a copy of a similar, could  
24    not present it to the court because we were bound by  
25    the nondisclosure. So we held on our own end of the

1 bargain but we believe TPC did not.

2 Q Did you explain that to the court?

3 A No, sir, because I was not present at time.

4 We left it to our attorney. And he did not. So the  
5 court only thought there was one document when there  
6 were three signed documents.

7 Q Okay. So the third contract contemplated a  
8 future licensing arrangement between Bandai and  
9 Chaiyo?

10 A And my -- yes, sir.

11 Q Okay. And you produced a letter from  
12 Junichi Yamazaki, who -- I'll just -- I don't want  
13 to ask a lot of questions about this, but I'll mark  
14 it.

15 (Exhibit 62 was marked for  
16 identification by the reporter.)

17 BY MR. POSNER:

18 Q Exhibit 62 is UMC0010105. And this is a  
19 letter from Yamazaki to Bandai Company, dated  
20 September 29, 2004.

21 And Yamazaki, he purports to be  
22 representing Sompote, Chaiyo City, and Tsuburaya  
23 Chaiyo.

24 Do you know that person, Yamazaki, to be  
25 lawyers -- the lawyer for Sompote and Chaiyo?

1           A     Yes, sir.

2           Q     And this -- the subject of this letter is  
3     the 1998 agreements. And this is going to take a  
4     long time to get through, but do you know  
5     anything -- do you recall this correspondence? Were  
6     you involved in this?

7           A     No, sir. I was not involved in this.

8           Q     This was probably handled by your father?  
9     You're copied on it, on the third page, copy to  
10    Perasit?

11          A     Yes, sir.

12          Q     So this is -- the letter says that the 1998  
13    agreements constitute a single package deal.

14          A     Yes, sir.

15          Q     That's what you understood too?

16          A     Yes, sir.

17          Q     Okay. Do you believe that the Japanese  
18    court's ruling based on the noncontravention  
19    agreement was wrong?

20          A     I did not think that the judgment was  
21    wrong, sir, but I thought that because the evidence  
22    would not -- were hid from the court, were hidden  
23    from the court, therefore the court had only one  
24    document and it was led to understood that, with  
25    that agreement, with that noncontravention

1 agreement, Bandai would have the rights, which is  
2 not true.

3 Q Since that time, since the -- so in the  
4 Japanese court proceeding the -- was it the second  
5 and third or only the third agreement that weren't  
6 shown to the court?

7 The noncontravention agreement was shown to  
8 the court.

9 A The second and third were not shown, sir.

10 Q Okay. And you didn't want to show those to  
11 the court because you felt you had a confidentiality  
12 obligation to not disclose those?

13 A Yes, sir.

14 Q Have you -- you've since apparently  
15 produced them to us in this lawsuit?

16 A We did not produce, sir. It's in our file.

17 Q It's in your file. Well, I have a copy,  
18 and I'm Tsuburaya's lawyer.

19 So before now, have you -- before this  
20 lawsuit, have you provided those documents or  
21 disclosed them to anybody, if you know?

22 A To our lawyer, sir.

23 Q To your lawyers. Okay. And until this  
24 lawsuit, do you know if Tsuburaya has ever seen the  
25 other two contracts?

CERTIFICATE OF READER-INTERPRETER

I, \_\_\_\_\_,  
whose address is \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_,  
a person who speaks the language of the witness,  
namely, Thai, do hereby certify that on the \_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, I did translate the  
foregoing deposition from the English language into  
the Thai language, reading the same to the witness  
in the witness's native tongue, to the best of my  
ability;

That all corrections and changes requested  
by the witness were made and initialed by the  
witness;

That, upon completion of said reading, the  
witness did confirm to me that the witness  
understood the reading.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Reader-Interpreter

1 STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
2 ) ss.  
3 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES )  
4  
5

6 I, PERASIT SAENGDUENCHAI, having appeared  
7 for my videotaped deposition on December 13, 2016,  
8 hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the  
9 laws of the United States of America that the  
10 foregoing is true and correct.

11 Executed this 6 day of January  
12 2017, at Tokyo, Japan.  
13 (city) (state)  
14  
15

16   
17 PERASIT SAENGDUENCHAI  
18  
19  
20  
21  
22  
23  
24  
25



CERTIFICATE OF CERTIFIED SHORTHAND REPORTER

I, Marla Sharp, certified shorthand  
reporter in the State of California, hereby certify:

That the foregoing videotaped deposition  
of PERASIT SAENGDUENCHAI was taken before me on  
December 13, 2016, at which time the witness was  
duly sworn by me;

That the testimony of the witness and all  
colloquy and objections made at the time of the  
deposition were recorded stenographically by me and  
thereafter transcribed, said transcript being a true  
copy of my shorthand notes thereof;

That review of the transcript was  
requested before completion of the deposition;  
( ) that the witness has failed or refused to  
approve the transcript.

I further certify I am neither financially  
interested in the action nor a relative or employee  
of any attorney of any of the parties.

In witness whereof, I have subscribed my  
name and signature this date, December 23, 2016.

---

Marla Sharp  
RPR, CLR, CCRR, CSR 11924

1 NAME OF CASE:

2 DATE OF DEPOSITION:

3 NAME OF WITNESS:

4 Reason Codes:

5 1. To clarify the record.

6 2. To conform to the facts.

7 3. To correct transcription errors.

8 Page 497 Line 15 Reason mistranscription

9 From to translate this 400 to to transfer this 400

10 Page 513 Line 22 Reason mistranscription/misstatement

11 From my father not wanting to my father wanting

12 Page \_\_\_\_\_ Line \_\_\_\_\_ Reason \_\_\_\_\_

13 From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

14 Page \_\_\_\_\_ Line \_\_\_\_\_ Reason \_\_\_\_\_

15 From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

16 Page \_\_\_\_\_ Line \_\_\_\_\_ Reason \_\_\_\_\_

17 From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

18 Page \_\_\_\_\_ Line \_\_\_\_\_ Reason \_\_\_\_\_

19 From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

20 Page \_\_\_\_\_ Line \_\_\_\_\_ Reason \_\_\_\_\_

21 From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

22 Page \_\_\_\_\_ Line \_\_\_\_\_ Reason \_\_\_\_\_

23 From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

24 \_\_\_\_\_

25 \_\_\_\_\_

